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TO: MR. D. SCHUSTER
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
ONE RIVE ROAD
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK
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FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TODAY TO MR. JACK S. PARKER,
VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL ELECTRIC- FAIRFIELD, CONN.

POLAND'S MINISTER OF THE MACHINE INDUSTRY, ALEKSANDER KOPEC,
WILL BE VISITING THE US APRIL 3-10, AT THE INVITATION
OF INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER CHAIRMAN BROOKS MCCORMICK. I
KNOW MINISTER KOPEC IS LOOKING FORWARD TO HIS APRIL 10-
MEETING WITH VICE PRESIDENT STATHAKIS IN NEW YORK AND THE
POSSIBILITY OF REINFORCING THE DESIRE OF BOTH GE AND THE POLISH
GOVERNMENT TO EXPLORE THE APPARENTLY GREAT POSSIBILITIES
FOR MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION.
I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT YOU CONSIDER INTRODUCING
YOURSELF TO MINISTER KOPEC DURING HIS VISIT. I BELIEVE
THIS GESTURE WOULD BE MEANINGFUL TO KOPEC AND WOULD
SUPPLEMENT USEFULLY THE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED
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BY MR. STATHAKIS. SENIOR POLISH OFFICIALS HAVE TOLD US
THEY ARE PLACING MUCH IMPORTANCE ON DEVELOPMENT OF A
PROGRAM FOR COOPERATING WITH GE, BUT THAT THEY ARE NOT
SURE WHETHER THE TOP CORPORATE MANAGEMENT HAS GIVEN ITS
BLESSING TO EFFORTS TO DEVELOP SUCH A STRATEGY.
I UNDERSTAND THAT GE'S DISCUSSIONS WITH POLAND ARE
PROGRESSING QUICKLY AND SATISFACTORILY AND FURTHER

HIGH-LEVEL VISITS TO POLAND AND THE US ARE EXPECTED IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. MINISTER KOPEC WILL BE THE SENIOR POLISH OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR FOSTERING AND STRENGTHENING COOPERATION WITH GENERAL ELECTRIC, AND I BELIEVE A FEW WORDS OF INTEREST FROM YOU ON APRIL 10 MIGHT YIELD FUTURE DIVIDENDS. YOUR MEETING MIGHT ALSO RESULT IN A PERSONAL INVITATION FOR YOU TO VISIT POLAND. SINCERELY,
WILLIAM E. SCHAUFEELE, JR., AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, WARSAW, POLAND.
SCHAUFEELE

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